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Please see attached Response to an Office Action dated September 7, 2005 for the following application:

Title : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR REMOVING OIL SPILLS
AND EXTINGUISHING FIRES
 Application No. : 10/711,328
 Filing Date : September 10, 2004
 Inventor : Brian Arnott
 Attorney Docket No. : 060494-0002
 Entity : Small
 Examiner : Darren W. Gorman
 Art Unit : 3752

Attached documents:

- Transmittal Sheet (1 page)
- Fee Transmittal (1 page)
- Amendment and Response (11 pages)
- Letter re Supplemental IDS (2 pages)
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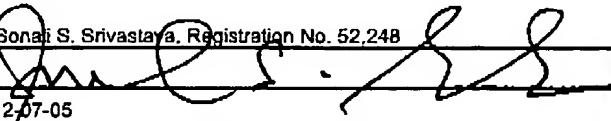
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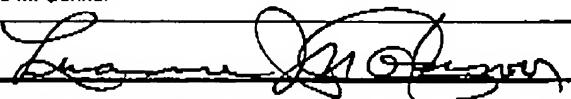
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 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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1002	340	2002	170		Design filing fee	
1003	530	2003	265		Plant filing fee	
1004	770	2004	385		Reissue filing fee	
1005	160	2005	80		Provisional filing fee	
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1202	18	2202	9		Claims in excess of 20	
1201	86	2201	43		Independent claims in excess of 3	
1203	280	2203	145		Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	
1204	86	2204	43		** Reissue independent claims over original patent	
1205	18	2205	9		** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent	
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1051	130	2051	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
1052	50	2052	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053	130	1053	130	Non-English specification	
1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
1804	920*	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
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1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month	
1252	420	2252	210	Extension for reply within second month	
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1401	330	2401	165	Notice of Appeal	
1402	330	2402	165	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403	290	2403	145	Request for oral hearing	
1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452	110	2452	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453	1,330	2453	665	Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501	1,330	2501	665	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
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1480	130	1480	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
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1806	180	1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
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1809	770	2809	385	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
1810	770	2810	385	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
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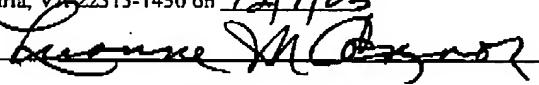
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

In response to the Office Action dated September 7, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as indicated below.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

Supplemental Information Disclosure begins on 12 of this paper.